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## Ducks crave slice of pizza?

**SNACKING** Why did the ducks cross the road? Well, perhaps to get a slice of pizza after an evening out on the town. Halifax Regional Police said officers stumbled upon a mother duck and her eight ducklings Tuesday night, waddling their way through a popular spot for late-night snacking.

"There was concern for the family's well-being," police spokesman Const. Brian Palmetier said yesterday of the corner at Grafton and Blowers streets. So the officers and a concerned citizen "transported them to Point Pleasant Park where they were released," Palmetier said.

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## Gay penguin break-up offers lesson

### FocusOn FirstNations

Metro Canada continues its focus on First Nations and Aboriginal news, community issues, arts and culture as part of a special series coinciding with the Assembly of First Nations convention ending today in Calgary.

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- David Wolfman (below) cooks up some Native fusion cuisine, page 14
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- Charles Davies highlights business leaders who are making a difference, page 9



Chief Shawn Atleo, left, from the Ahousaht First Nation in British Columbia and Chief Perry Bellegarde from Little Black Bear First Nation in Saskatchewan are locked in a tight battle in the election of the new national chief at the Assembly of First Nations annual meeting in Calgary yesterday.



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# Close race for chief

Atleo, Bellegarde in tough battle for AFN leadership

### FocusOn FirstNations

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**The election for the national chief of the Assembly of First Nations went into deadlock last night with a single vote separating the two remaining candidates.**

After a third ballot, Shawn Atleo was leading over Perry Bellegarde as both vied for support from chiefs from across the nation at the 30th AFN conference being held in Calgary.

### Leading candidates

- Shawn Atleo is the British Columbia regional chief with the B.C. Assembly of First Nations.
- Perry Bellegarde is currently a councillor for the Little Black Bear First Nation in Saskatchewan.

"I'm going to listen to my elders," said Bellegarde after the third vote. "I'm going to stay."

Atleo said he is excited and that the vote shouldn't be seen as a sign that the AFN is divided.

A 60 per cent majority is needed to achieve the leadership according to the AFN charter.

After the first ballot, in

which Atleo led with 43 per cent of the vote followed by Bellegarde with 29 per cent, the other three candidates, John Beaucage, Terrance Nelson and Bill Wilson all withdrew and threw their support behind Bellegarde. The second vote also ended in deadlock.

Chief Charles Weasel Head said before the third ballot he would be sur-

prised if a clearer gap emerged.

Weasel Head said that the caucusing between the provinces during the time between the ballots is very important. This includes trying to make deals to sway the different chiefs over to the other side.

Karyn Pugliese with the AFN said the vote could go on for a while and there will be no national chief until someone withdraws or the 60 per cent majority is achieved.

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## Special b-day for Sid the Kid?

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**STANLEY CUP** It appears Cole Harbour's Sidney Crosby is planning an extra-special birthday party for Friday, Aug. 7.

A source told Metro Halifax yesterday Crosby is finalizing plans to bring the Stanley Cup to Cole Harbour and Halifax on his 22nd birthday, although there has been no confirmation from the committee organizing the visit. Committee chair Paul Mason would only say that Crosby is on the verge of making an official announcement.

"Right now, the date is pretty much secured but it's not being released," said Mason, a family friend and a former coach of Crosby's. "It will be announced possibly by the end of this week or the beginning of next week at the latest."

Crosby became the youngest captain in NHL history to win the cup when he helped the Pittsburgh Penguins beat the Detroit Red Wings in a memorable seven-game series.

He has used his birthdate — Aug. 7, 1987 — to form the No. 87 on his jersey and his annual salary of \$8.7 million.

Crosby has said he wants to have a parade, bring the cup to the IWK Health Centre and share it with his hometown.

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# Best Western Dartmouth announces new expansion of conference space

**Its first birthday is still a few weeks away, but some recent renovations mean that there's already reason to celebrate at the Best Western Dartmouth.**

"We're really excited," says General Manager Ron Miller. "We've expanded our meeting room so that we can seat 150 people; more than double what we could before. And on top of that, we've opened a really lovely patio off our dining room. People are already enjoying it!"

Miller says the larger meeting space can be booked for things like business conferences, Christmas parties and weddings.

"Now that we can seat more guests, we expect to book a lot more weddings. People find that having a special occasion like that at our hotel means the event is all-encompassing. Wedding guests can stay right here, gather and mingle in our lounge and swim in our indoor pool." As far as business meetings go, Miller says the space is versatile and accessible.

"Anything you need, we have or have access to. As for audio-visual equipment, the hotel owns it and keeps it on site." The other big draw for people planning events at the Best Western Dartmouth is the fact that the menus are created by the Atlantic Canadian Chef of the Year for 2008, Daniel Delorme.

Delorme, who is also responsible for the food at the hotel's Trendz Café and Wine Bar, says that the quality of dining at the restaurant is one of the many reasons—on top of the indoor pool, fitness centre

and upgraded rooms—that the hotel has been accorded four stars.

"Trendz has a kind of business-casual vibe and features what I'd call 'world cuisine'," explains Delorme. "We're known for using

very fresh local seafood, and in fact, a lot of the menu is based on local ingredients." Chef Delorme, who Miller describes as "a creative genius when it comes to cuisine," is very pleased by the expansion at the Best Western Dartmouth.

"We saw a need to accommodate more people, and now we can."



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## Survey hopes to find better autism services

The Education Department said in a news release yesterday a team will survey people with autism spectrum disorder, along with their families and caregivers, in hopes of completing a report on how services can be improved by early 2010. The Autism Management Advisory Team encourages those affected by the disorder to go to [amat.ednet.ns.ca](http://amat.ednet.ns.ca) or [www.provincialautismcentre.ca](http://www.provincialautismcentre.ca). **METRO HALIFAX**

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## Local



## Ready, set, bike!

Cyclists will gather in Halifax's Grand Parade tomorrow at noon to celebrate the Nova Scotia launch of Pedal for the Planet, "a national bike relay aimed at raising awareness about climate change," and then pedal their way to the South Shore, an Oxfam Canada news release said yesterday. The KYOTOplus initiative started July 3 in Victoria and St. John's, Nfld., and is making its way through all provinces before a mid-September rally on Parliament Hill. **METRO HALIFAX**

## Via on track for possible strike

Company promises to do 'all we can' to limit passengers' inconvenience

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**Sandy Imrie and Kim Hedges, a mother and daughter duo from Burlington, Ont., travelled to the country's east coast for an adventure that was supposed to include taking the train home from Halifax to Toronto.**

They're getting an adventure, but not the one they had hoped for. They learned yesterday afternoon while waiting to board their train at the Via Rail station in Halifax that the connecting train they're supposed to catch in Quebec could be cancelled due to a potential strike by locomotive engineers and yardmasters.

"We're supposed to get

on the Friday midnight train, so I don't think that will be possible," 28-year-old Hedges said. "If it happens, then we don't have a way home."

Imrie added Via Rail staff promised "to take care of us," including refunds for the train trip they could end up missing. Hedges said they were told a coach bus would be provided, but worried they may have to pay more money to fly home.

Teamsters Canada Rail Conference, the union representing the 350 Via Rail Inc. workers, said yesterday in a news release that its members have voted 91.2 per cent in favour of a strike that will start tomorrow at 1 p.m. ATD if a tentative agreement isn't reached.



A rail traveller boards a Via train at the Halifax station yesterday. Via Rail has started cancelling some long-distance trips in order to prevent passengers from being stranded in the event of a strike.

"Two and a half years have passed since negotiations began and Via's tactics have left the Teamsters very little choice but to issue a strike notice," the union's national office said.

Via Rail spokeswoman Claude Arseneault said yesterday from Montreal that negotiations have been ongoing since Monday.

She said a list of trains that will be cancelled Friday if workers start walking the picket lines is already available at [www.viarail.ca](http://www.viarail.ca).

"Any passenger who was to board a train before noon (EST) on Friday will get to destination."

"We're doing all we can so that (travellers) are inconvenienced as little as possible," she said.

## Military investigator admits errors

**TRIAL** The lead military police officer investigating the death of Cpl. Kevin Megency said yesterday in Sydney there were significant mistakes made early in the case.

"Releasing the crime scene would have been the big one," Master Cpl. Evan Foster, of the National Investigation Service, said during his daylong examination by prosecutor Lt.-Cmdr. Robert Fetterly. Foster was the first Canadian military police officer to arrive at the shooting scene at a tent on the Kandahar Airfield base in Afghanistan.

Cpl. Matthew Wilcox, a 24-year-old reservist with the 2nd Battalion of the Nova Scotia Highlanders, is on trial at Victoria Park garrison facing charges of manslaughter in the death of Megency, 25, of Stellarton. **CAPE BRETON POST**

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**Video** Troubling questions arise in the case of four women found dead in a submerged car after rumours of arrests. Watch at [metronews.ca/canada](http://metronews.ca/canada)

## Lotteries

Lotto 6/49: 8, 14, 24, 36, 40 & 42 Bonus 19  
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## 'This is the future here'

Drew Hampden, 19, couldn't stop smiling yesterday as he stood before a small room full of clapping people. The Black Educators Association presented him and another student, Akila Whitley, also 19, with \$1,000 scholarships to continue their educations.

"Look at these two, this is the future here," Steve Carrington, the association's director, said.

Hampden just finished his first year of business school at Saint Francis Xavier University in Antigonish. In the future he wants to pursue business law.



Drew Hampden

He said the money would cover his business textbooks this year at St. FX.

His mother, Margo Hampden

was beaming, too. "Any opportunity that students have to receive additional funding, it really does help," she said. "The support is so desperately needed for students, especially for him, being a black male."

A Statistics Canada report says the average earning po-



Akila Whitley

tential for an African Nova Scotian with a bachelor degree increased from 2000 to 2005; in 2000 the average earning power was \$55,701 and in 2005 it was \$56,225.

"It's about learning respect, learning hard work, (and learning) that hard work really pays off," Hampden's mom said. "And that's been very trying for him in the education system."

HILARY BEAUMONT/  
FOR METRO HALIFAX

## Utility bows out of biomass project

**POWER** The Utility and Review Board washed its hands of Nova Scotia Power's biomass plans yesterday, ruling they were outside the board's jurisdiction.

NSP had sought advance approval with partners NewPage Port Hawkesbury Ltd. and Strait Bio-Gen Ltd. to generate 60 megawatts of energy from biomass sources, such as burning wood and waste wood.

The Ecology Action Centre

had criticized the plan, saying it could be too taxing on the province's biomass resources.

But the Nova Scotia UARB ruled they did not have the authority to approve or deny the project. They said doing so would unduly intrude in management of the utility, would be contrary to the public interest and would be inconsistent with prior board decisions.

PAUL MCLEOD/METRO HALIFAX

## Correction

The unemployment rate across Halifax Regional Municipality was 5.9 per cent in June 2009 and 5.4 per cent in June 2008, meaning about 14,600 people in HRM were unemployed this

June and about 12,400 were unemployed last June, according to Statistic Canada. Incorrect information appeared in Tuesday's edition.

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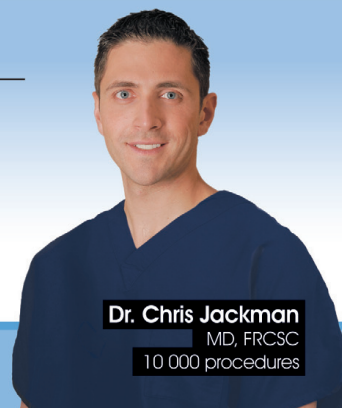
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The provincial government announced yesterday its plans for 30 road construction projects worth \$7 million. The Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal Department said in a news release that communities from Halifax Regional Municipality to Cape Breton will benefit from new culverts, bridges and streets. **METRO HALIFAX**

# Students hope finicky robots lead to glory

Annual Dalhousie competition kicks off today

HILARY BEAUMONT  
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**Matt Bannister's robot — a panel of wires and blink lights atop a wooden wheeled vehicle — slammed into an island with a crash. His classmates smiled knowingly.**

"We're all laughing out of fear because that's going to happen to all of us," fellow engineering student Chris Saulnier, 21, said yesterday.

Twenty robots, created by teams of two, will navigate a Navy-themed obstacle course in a competition today at the gym on Dalhousie University's Sexton Campus.

The prize? Glory, and lots of it.

Bannister, 21, kicked his robot's wheel. "They're

**"If you do it wrong (the robot) tends to explode."**

Chris Saulnier, student

very finicky machines," he said while preparing for the big event on the Sexton Campus. "It has a mind of its own entirely."

Not quite, but the robots do act without the use of remote controls. Each one is pre-programmed to run the course.

"They have to design and build an autonomous vehicle based on a kit of parts we make available to them," said Dr. Peter Gregson, the students' professor, as he watched them struggle with the machines.

"These are true robots," he said. "Unlike most robot competitions you see,

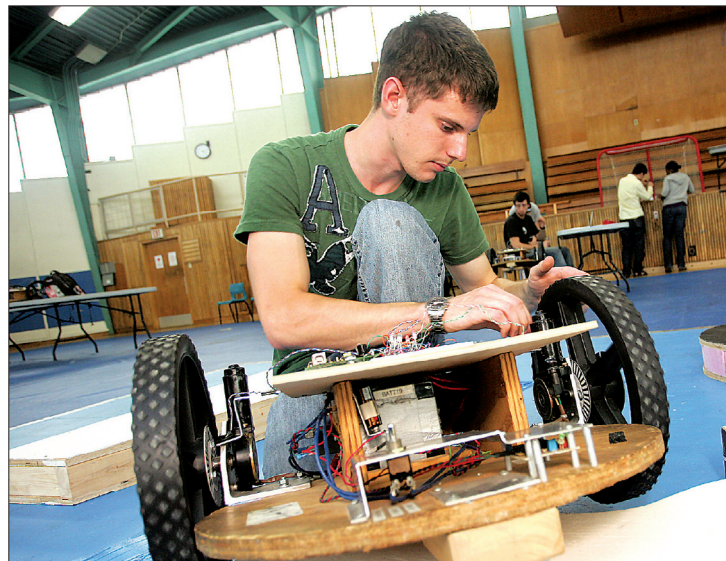
these are not being driven by the students. They're driving themselves according to their program. This will give the students the opportunity to learn a whole lot more."

But the day before the competition, many students were still dealing with last-minute issues. A loud bang rang through the space as part of one team's robot exploded.

"If you do it wrong it tends to explode. There's been a couple of fires," Saulnier said, laughing. "We had three fires last night."

Many of the robots have arms that look for the reflective tape along the sides of the course.

"Right now it only works about 10 per cent of the time," Saulnier said about his and partner Auyon Siddiq's sensor.



Dalhousie University engineering student Matt Bannister works on a robot at the Sexton Campus yesterday in Halifax. The 18th annual electrical and computer engineering robot competition takes place today at the Sexton gym with the first round starting at 11 a.m.

## 2 charged after bear spray attack

**CRIME** Two young men are facing charges after two girls were allegedly assaulted with bear spray late Tuesday night in Dartmouth.

Halifax Regional Police said officers responded to a disturbance at Nantucket Avenue and Wyse Road just after 11:30 p.m., where they found two sisters had been attacked.

They said they had gone to a Courtney Street residence to confront an ex-

boyfriend, but instead both were sprayed and one girl was knocked to the ground, according to police.

The girls were treated in hospital, police said, while the two suspects were arrested.

They were expected to be in court yesterday on charges of assault with a weapon, making death threats and breaching court orders.

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## Police seek missing forensic hospital patient

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**SEARCH** Halifax Regional Police and the East Coast Forensic Hospital are hoping the public can help them track down 29-year-old Troy Scott Forrest.

Forrest is a patient of the Dartmouth facility who has been living in the Halifax area on a conditional discharge since last

month, but a Capital District Mental Health Program spokeswoman said yesterday "he did not show up for an appointment on June 16, and then another appointment on June 18."

In addition to being a condition of his release, Maureen Wheller said the appointments are "part of his treatment." But she couldn't say what Forrest was being treated for due to patient confidentiality.



Troy Forrest

ment."

Wheller said that means "he could be a risk to (the) public, and as time goes on he could be a risk to him-

A Capital Health news release said yesterday Forrest "is of moderate risk that may increase without treatment."

self as well," but she added she doesn't know the details of his condition.

HRP spokesman Const. Brain Palmeter said yesterday police have checked a residence Forrest was known to frequent, but they had no luck.

Forrest is described as five feet six and 200 pounds with blue eyes and brown hair. Anyone with information is asked to contact police.

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## Senators investigate security at entry points

**TOUR** A group of senators were in Halifax yesterday to investigate American claims of weak border security.

"You've probably heard comments coming out of the U.S. about Canada allegedly having a porous border ... and that our equipment and manpower is not up to snuff. Well, we don't like those kinds of comments," said Nova Scotia Senator Wilfred Moore.

Moore and eight colleagues from the Senate Standing Committee on National Security and Defence are touring entry points across the country to find flaws and make recommendations.

### Senator rumours

- Senator Wilfred Moore had no news regarding rumours of a new Nova Scotia senator being appointed soon. There's a vacancy and several candidates, including former premier Rodney MacDonald, are believed to be in the running.

Yesterday they toured Halifax Stanfield International Airport, the container examination facility in Burnside and the Port of Halifax. They interviewed border officials and RCMP officers.

Moore said so far they haven't come across cause for major concerns, but there are areas they're looking into further.

"Things such as clearance of passengers coming into the country on ships or on airplanes. They're not all vetted," he said.

Moore mentioned chartered flights and cruise ships as other areas where security may need to be beefed up.

The committee ends their tour in British Columbia during the third week of September and plans to have its report ready by early November.

**PAUL MCLEOD/METRO HALIFAX**

### News in brief

**DRUGS** Police have seized plenty of hard and soft drugs over the past week. For instance, Halifax Regional Police said drug unit officers found ecstasy and marijuana inside an Andrews Street home in Fairview on Tuesday. A 53-year-old man

and a 48-year-old woman will appear in Halifax provincial court at a later date to face trafficking charges, police said. Meanwhile, Mounties with the federal drug unit seized a kilogram of cocaine from a Catherine Street home in Dartmouth

last Thursday and magic mushrooms last Friday from a Willow Street home in Halifax. An RCMP news release said yesterday three men will appear in court at a later date, all to answer to trafficking charges. **METRO HALIFAX**



**Strike leads to Trash Wars game**

Toronto's civic workers' strike that has left piles of garbage on the streets has inspired a computer programmer to design an online rat-shooting video game called Trash Wars. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

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# Canada

## Day looks to fight 'buy America' plan

Proposal in works to open up contracts

**Concerned at being shut out of city and state contracts by "buy American" rules, Canada said on yesterday it was close to finalizing a proposal that would open up public procurement to both Canadian and U.S. firms.**

Trade Minister Stockwell Day told U.S. Trade Representative Ron Kirk that Ottawa's talks with the provinces are in their final stages and that he "anticipated having a proposal to share with the U.S. very shortly."

The idea is to let firms from both sides of the border bid on provincial, state

### U.S. stimulus plan

- When U.S. President Barack Obama signed the \$787 billion US stimulus package into law on Feb. 17, he unleashed profound changes in the open business environment that has been the key to modern Canadian prosperity.
- The legislation as written by

Congress contained protectionist measures that allow municipalities and state governments in the U.S. to bar all foreign-made steel, iron or other manufactured goods on infrastructure projects supported by the \$787 billion fund. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

and city contracts, and not just federal jobs.

Canada's provinces had not signed on to public procurement provisions and so Canadian companies have not been able to demand access to U.S. state and local contracts.

Meeting at an Asia-Pacific session in Singapore, Day also told Kirk that Canada was assessing the impact of U.S. country-of-origin meat labelling rules and "could move to the next stage" at the World Trade Organization. **REUTERS**

## Lips caused passport problems

**STRANDED** Suaad Haji Mohamud was done in by her lips.

A Kenyan official detained the Toronto woman in Nairobi because her lips didn't match the ones in her passport photograph, according to documents released by her lawyer yesterday.

"I find it really troubling that that was the basis of stopping her," said Raoul Boulakia, Mohamud's Toronto lawyer.

Documents submitted in a Nairobi court curtly explain why she was detained: "After a comparison was done, it emerged that although the passenger and the passport holder had the same facial features, that passenger's lips were different from that of the passport holder."

Mohamud has been marooned in Nairobi since May 17. The 31-year-old mother was on her way back to Toronto when she says a Kenyan officer



Toronto resident Suaad Haji Mohamud who has been stranded in Nairobi, Kenya for two months due to a passport issue.

stopped her at the Nairobi airport for not looking like her four-year-old passport photo.

She spent eight days in jail and was released on bail with no travel papers. Kenyan officials sent her passport to Canadian consular officials, who said she was an "imposter," voided the passport and sent it back to the Kenyans

for prosecution.

She asked to be fingerprinted but the Canada Border Services Agency later admitted it didn't have earlier prints to make a match.

But the Somali-born woman scored a small victory yesterday when the Canadian government agreed to DNA testing.

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### News in brief

**LOTTERY ARREST** Barry W. Shell claimed a Lotto 6-49 jackpot of \$4,377,298 on Monday but didn't get to enjoy the feeling for long. He was arrested outside the lottery office in Toronto on outstanding criminal charges

dating back to 2003. He has since been released on bail. **POT MINE** An abandoned mine in northern Canada may lose its role as the country's only government-sanctioned marijuana farm. Production at the mine —

deep under the tundra at Flin Flon, Man. — had to be moved because the facility was not big enough and a deal to expand it had not been worked out, operator Prairie Plant System said yesterday. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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# Farmers get tax break

First, drought and heavy rain. Now a windfall.

**NATURE** Weather-hit cattle farmers on the Canadian Prairies are getting a tax break from Ottawa.

The farmers who have been forced to thin their herds to deal with drought — or excessive rainfall — will be able to defer tax on some income from the sale of breeding stock, the federal agriculture department said yesterday.

A deep cull of western Canadian herds is under

**"It'll absolutely help maintain the viability of the herd."**

Humphrey Banack

way as farmers cope with high feed costs and restrictive laws that have reduced exports to the U.S.

In central Alberta and west central Saskatchewan, the worst

drought in 50 years has forced farmers to scramble to find pasture.

In Manitoba's Interlake region, above-average rainfall has prevented many farmers from seeding feed crops.

"It'll absolutely help maintain the viability of the herd," Humphrey Banack, president of Wild Rose Agricultural Producers, said of the tax break.

REUTERS

# Air Canada's big dilemma

**AIR WOES** What does the future hold for Air Canada?

Opinions differ on whether it will have to file for bankruptcy protection.

Air Canada, like many airlines around the world, is reeling from a steep drop in air travel triggered by the recession and a general reluctance to fly because of influenza A (H1N1), also known as swine flu.

But Canada's largest carrier faces an extra measure of pain — competition with Westjet Airlines.

Its domestic rival has a far lower cost structure than Air Canada and isn't saddled with a \$2.9-billion pension fund deficit.



One analyst says long-term contracts hurt Air Canada.

The core of Air Canada's dilemma?

Can it shrink its cost structure by altering long-term affiliate contracts, finding debt relief or cutting jobs?

Is bankruptcy the most effective way of achieving that goal?

For Jacques Kavafian, analyst at Research Capital in Toronto, bankruptcy is part of the answer.

Kavafian believes Air Canada is getting a raw deal in long-term contracts with domestic Jazz Air and loyalty program Aeroplan.

For David Tyerman, airline analyst at Genuity Capital Markets, Air Canada's prime worry isn't its operational costs.

"Their biggest problem and the reason that they are in a jam right now is that they have way too much debt."

"That is what they have to solve," he said.

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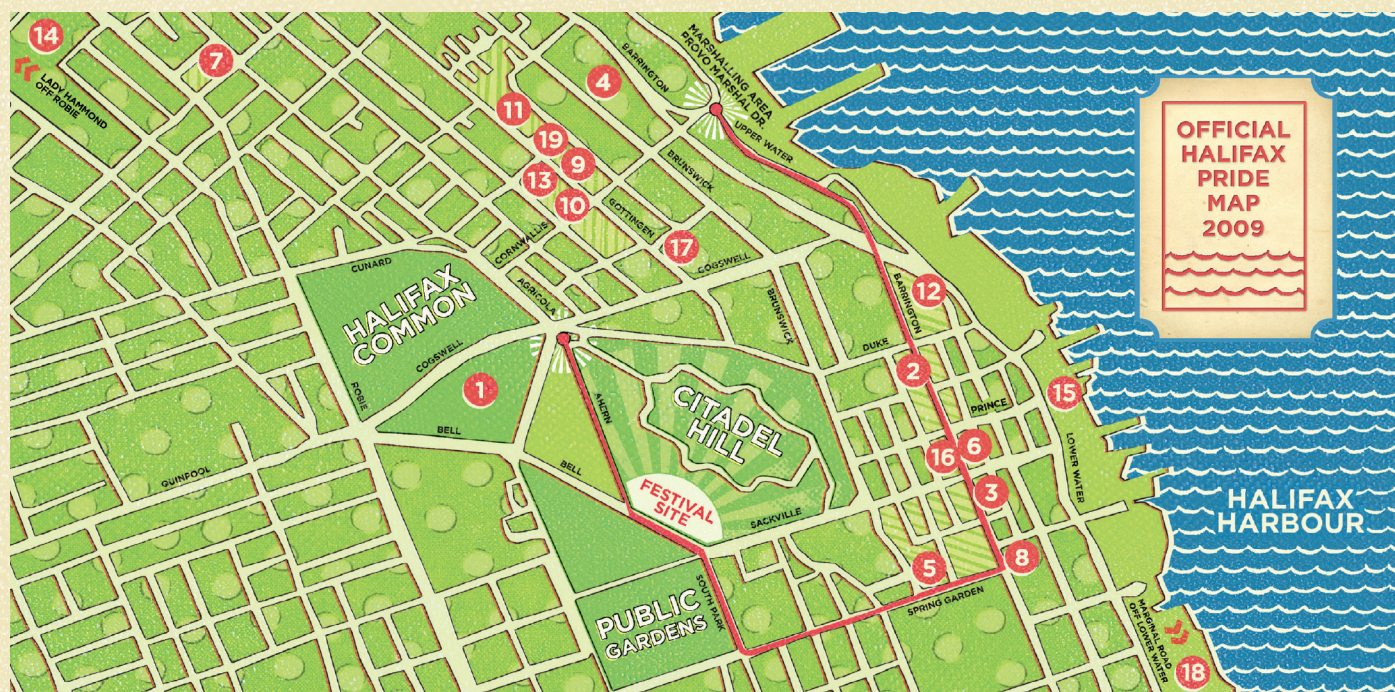
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Officials with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration yesterday raided a Houston clinic owned by Conrad Murray, the doctor who was with pop icon Michael Jackson when he died, according to local news reports. Murray has told police he did not inject the singer with painkillers before his cardiac arrest. **REUTERS**

**U.S. officials raid Jackson doctor's office**

# World



## Border ruling raises peace hopes

A court yesterday redrew the boundaries of Sudan's disputed oil-producing Abyei region, ceding key oilfields to north Sudan in a decision hailed as a resolution to a long-standing territorial conflict. Leaders from north and south Sudan pledged to respect the ruling from the Permanent Court of Arbitration in The Hague as more than 1,000 people danced through the streets of Abyei to celebrate the decision. **REUTERS**

## South Africa Public unrest



Protesters chant slogans in South Africa's Siyathemba township yesterday. Protesters hurled stones at police, who responded with tear gas and rubber bullets, after thousands marched through the streets over poor services and unemployment.

## Clinton chides Iran

U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton sketched out yesterday how the United States might cope with a nuclear Iran — by arming its allies in the Gulf and extending a “defence umbrella” over the region.

Her comments drew an immediate rebuke from a senior Israeli official, who said the United States should focus on preventing Iran from going nuclear rather than talking as if this may be a fait accompli. Clinton later said that she was not suggesting a new U.S. policy and reiterated that Iran possessing nuclear weapons would be unacceptable to the United States.

Speaking in Bangkok, Thailand, Clinton said crossing the nuclear threshold would not make Iran, which Washington



U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton speaks during a news conference at the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Regional Forum in Phuket, Thailand, yesterday.

believes is pursuing nuclear arms, safer. Iran says its nuclear program is meant to generate electricity so it can export more oil and gas.

Asked later at a news conference in the Thai resort of Phuket, where she is to attend Asia's biggest annual security meeting, to

flesh out what she meant by a defence umbrella, Clinton said:

“I was simply pointing out that Iran needs to understand that its pursuit of nuclear weapons will not advance its security or achieve its goals of enhancing its power both regionally and globally.” **REUTERS**

## News in brief

**POLITICS** France's Socialist Party, heir to some of the great figures of the European left, is fighting for its life, crippled by internal splits and leaving President Nicolas Sarkozy with no effective opposition. Centre-left parties across Europe have been struggling generally in recent years. But the problems of France's Socialists, suffering from falling membership and lack of direction, are especially dire. “The French Socialist Party is at risk of dying out,” Manuel Valls, one of a generation of rising 40-something party cadres, wrote in the Financial Times this week.

**NEGOTIATIONS** The Honduran de facto government said yesterday it will send a mediator's proposal for the return of ousted President Manuel Zelaya to Congress and the judiciary. It was the first sign that the interim government might consider giving into international pressure to allow Zelaya to come back home after he was toppled in late June. **REUTERS**

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## Comment

## As the penguin turns

Analyzing animal behaviour is really just a look at ourselves

## Relating

Steve  
Collins

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usually eschew celeb news in this column — that's what the Celebrity Buzz pages are for — but the breakup of Pepper and Harry, the San Francisco Zoo's famed gay penguins, seems momentous enough to merit an exception.

As the San Francisco Examiner reported earlier this month, Harry, after six years with Pepper, during which the two males hatched and raised an abandoned chick, has seemingly switched teams, taking up with Linda, a recently widowed female, with whom he's started a family.

The jokes have been irresistible, predictable and a little heartless. It's hard

enough to waddle through life under the constant scrutiny of zoo-goers without having to deal with the media as well.

Our species has reacted with all sorts of specious conclusions about same-sex marriage and other overstretched sociological metaphors. A conservative news site decided the split was evidence that nature preferred straight animals — as if Pepper's new love somehow trumped the old one.

Those who oppose homosexuality react, as you might expect, somewhat unfavourably to gay penguins.

Penguins live

about half their life on land and half in the water, so maybe they're just adaptable. Linda and her dear departed mate had two nests, so in penguin terms, she was a rich widow.

The anthropomorphizing continues ad nauseam. It's the nature of the human beast. We lock animals up in zoos to learn about them, in part because they seem so much like us — mating, eating and all the rest, but with much lower inci-

dences of smoking, blogging and organized religion.

Penguins aren't people, and we know it. We're not really talking about the penguins. We're

## On the web

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talking about ourselves, thinking in fables. Some very good, long-term relationships run their course, and that can bother the people outside them even more than the principals.

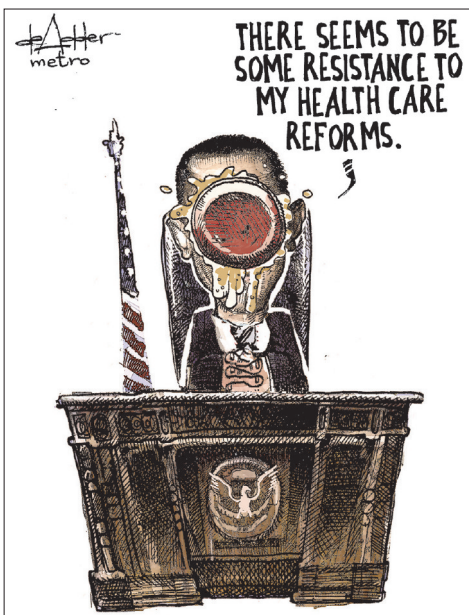
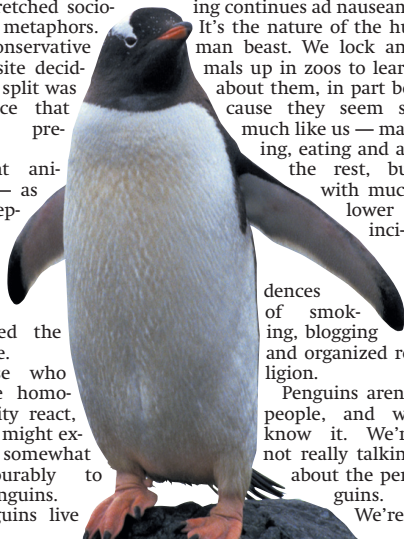
When your favourite couple splits up, your relationship with them changes too, and like kids whose parents divorce, you've got no say in the matter.

If there's a third party involved, like Linda, they're an easy target for blame.

Nobody else knows what's really going on between any two people (or penguins).

Even the lovers themselves may be desperately trying to understand it. And sometimes a penguin is just a penguin.

Steve Collins offers his best guesses on relationships for Metro every two weeks.



## Worth Mentioning

## 'Obama of Volgograd' to run for mayor in Russia

**ODDITY** U.S. President Barack Obama has inspired an African immigrant to proclaim himself the "Obama of Volgograd" and run for mayor in the southern Russian region.

Campaign posters for Zhoakim Krima, a 37-year-old watermelon salesman from West Africa's Guinea-Bissau, have appeared along the main roads in the Volgograd town of Sredny Akhtub, daily newspaper Nezavisimaya Gazeta reported yesterday.

But his campaign slogan, playing on the rampant stereotypes in provincial Russia, seems unlikely to win Obama's support — Krima has pledged to "work day and night like a slave" for the good of the town, the newspaper reported.

The prevalence of hate crimes and the general distrust of migrants force most blacks to lead low-profile lives in Russia, where the African-born population is tiny. **REUTERS**

## Views

## 5 prominent Aboriginal business leaders

## InBusiness

Charles  
Davies



If Clint Davis is right, First Nations businesses are about to soar. Davis, president and CEO of the Canadian Council for Aboriginal Business, talks of "a huge blossoming of activity."

The Aboriginal population is growing faster than other segments of Canadian society; land claims settlements have given Aboriginals access to capital for investment and, because of that, more Aborig-

inals have gone entrepreneurial. A federal study in 2002 concluded that Aboriginals were starting small companies at a rate nine times faster than in the general population. A new generation of business stars has also grown up. Here are five of the most prominent:

Blaine Favel, president and CEO, One Earth Resources Corp: A Harvard MBA and former Grand Chief of the Federation of Saskatchewan Indian Nations, develops resource projects with Aboriginal partners. Favel also chairs One Earth Farms Corp., which is investing \$27.5 million in corporate farming on Aboriginal lands.

Clarence Louie, CEO, Os-

### Focus On First Nations

oyoos Indian Band Development Corp: A straight talker who believes First Nations people should concentrate on creating jobs, the Osoyoos B.C. Band chief has built eight businesses involved in construction, forestry, vineyards, retail and golf.

Keith Martell, executive chair, First Nations Bank of Canada: Martell has headed the 13-year bank since its inception, tailoring services for the Aboriginal market through six branches and three community banking centres. Assets have more than

doubled to \$253 million.

Mike Metatawabin, president, Five Nations Energy Inc: Metatawabin runs Canada's only First Nations-owned electricity transmission company.

Allan McLeod, president and CEO, Tribal Councils Investment Group of Manitoba: TCIG's investments on behalf of 55 First Nations include Arctic Beverages Ltd., a Pepsi/Frito Lay franchise and a health claims processing system, First Canadian Health Management Corp. McLeod oversees annual sales of more than \$61 million.

Charles Davies is a veteran business writer and editor who has worked for news organizations and publications including Business Week, Canadian Business, Report On Business magazine, Reuters, and Financial Post.

## Letters

**First Nations issues are important to all Canadians**

*Re: Metro's coverage of First Nations issues*

Your newspaper should be commended for your respectful and thought-provoking coverage of First

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The Nasdaq rose yesterday for the 11th straight day, buoyed by solid profits from Apple Inc., while disappointing bank results and declining energy shares weighed on the broader market. Apple, up 3.5 per cent at \$156.74 US, gave Nasdaq its top boost a day after the iPod and iPhone maker reported a quarterly profit that beat forecasts. **REUTERS**

Apple profits beat forecasts, buoy Nasdaq

# Business



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## Suncor posts \$51-million loss

**Suncor Energy Inc. sank into the red in the second quarter as skidding oil prices, hedging losses and costs related to project deferrals marred the last reporting period before it closes its \$22.5 billion takeover of Petro-Canada.**

Excluding unusual items, Suncor, one of the largest Canadian oil sands producers, made a profit, even as the oil industry struggled with lower commodity prices. But the results lagged expectations. Suncor lost \$51 million,

or six cents a share, in the second quarter. Excluding unrealized foreign exchange gains on long-term debt, mark-to-market hedging losses and costs related to the project deferrals, the company earned \$185 million. **REUTERS**

### Shares up 0.2%

• The shares were up seven cents, or 0.2 per cent, at \$36.27 on the TSX late in the session yesterday, recovering from early losses.

## Indonesia Boeing sales soar



Garuda airline Boeing 737s park at Jakarta's Soekarno Hata International airport in this file photo. Boeing Co. posted a 17 per cent increase in quarterly profit, topping expectations, but did not say when its long-delayed 787 Dreamliner would fly.

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### Business in brief

**AUTO** Canadian auto parts supplier Magna is still Germany's preferred partner for carmaker Opel, German Chancellor Angela Merkel said yesterday, setting the stage for a showdown with GM over the takeover bids. GM has to agree a choice with Germany, which is providing loan guarantees to the buyer and the subject will likely be an issue in Germany's Sept. 27 election. **REUTERS**

### Car sales boost May retail results

**RETAIL** Signs of life in the struggling auto sector led to a surprising jump in Canadian retail sales in May as consumer confidence rebounded broadly from a dismal April. Statistics Canada said yesterday that retail sales rose by 1.2 per cent in May from April, more than doubling market expectations and offsetting April's 0.6 per cent decline. Automotive sector sales were still down 16.5 per cent from May 2008, but they were up 2.4 per cent from April. Sales at new car dealers rose by 3.4 per cent from April. **REUTERS**

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**One-third of Australia's curling rocks stolen**

Fifty-eight curling rocks, more than one-third of the rocks in Australia, were stolen from a refrigerated truck sometime between June 16 and July 7 in a Melbourne parking lot, police say. Despite there being only about 150 rocks in the country, Australia is ranked 11th in the world in the sport. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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# Sports

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## Williams back in school

Miami Dolphins running back Ricky Williams, left, twice suspended by the NFL for positive drug tests, is using this off-season to attend a massage therapy school in a Florida strip mall, the New York Times reports. Williams has been interested in alternative medicine since Toronto Argonaut trainers used an alternative treatment on his broken arm in 2006. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

## Local hoops star set to take on the world

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Justine Colley will take to the world basketball stage today.

The East Preston native and Saint Mary's Huskies-bound guard is suiting up for Canada at the FIBA world under-19 women's basketball championship in Bangkok, Canada, which sits 13th in FIBA's world ranking, opens the



Justine Colley

tournament against Russia this evening and plays nine games in 11 days. "I think she'll do very well," said Huskies head coach Scott Munro. "Justine competes hard, she's a good defender, she can set the table as a point guard, and she can score. She does a lot of things that allow her to contribute."

Colley, who starred with the Halifax Grammar Gryphons in the high school ranks, was one of the most highly recruited female basketball players from Nova Scotia in years. She eschewed a number of NCAA Division I offers to attend Saint Mary's because she wanted to be closer to home.

The 18-year-old averaged 6.4 points and 3.4 rebounds at last summer's FIBA Americas under-18 championship, playing a big role in helping Canada qualify for worlds.

# So far, so good for Dunbrack

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**Halifax Dunbrack Bremner's is off to yet another perfect start, but it's a perfect finish they want the most.**

Dunbrack is the toast of the Nova Scotia Soccer League Premiership this summer, already clinching first and a bye to the provincial men's final with a 10-0 record.

"So far, we're where we want to be," said head coach Alan Jazic.

So far, Jazic and his troops have been here before. It's Dunbrack's third straight 10-0 start and the club is riding a spectacular 30-game regular-season unbeaten streak.

But the past two summers, Dunbrack has imploded in the playoffs. They took a 20-0 record in to last year's provincial final and melted down in a 3-2 loss to Halifax City.

"The fact that we're 10-0 is great," Jazic said cautiously, "but it's secondary compared to what we want to do."

Dunbrack has been powered by Ali Devereaux, who returned to Nova Scotia after a couple of years in New Brunswick. He leads the Premiership with nine goals, while one-time Toronto FC midfielder Derek Gaudet has six.

Last year's Golden Boot winner Mike Marsh has slid back into a "provider" role from the midfield, feeding the ball to Devereaux in Dunbrack's one-striker system.



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"Ali doesn't need three chances to score a goal, he needs one," Jazic said. "The way he finishes in critical situations has been awesome. He's a natural goal-scorer."

Jazic has adjusted his game plan this summer as a result of last year's disappointment, rotating his starters to get more play-

ers on the field on a week-to-week basis.

"We became a little bit too predictable sometimes," Jazic said. "This year's different. We're using our depth more and we're keeping that competitive spirit within."

The road to nationals will likely go through City, which has captured five of

the past six provincial crowns. The two teams meet twice in the final four games, including Monday night at Mainland Common, and it wouldn't be a shock if those games serve as a championship-game preview.

"Hopefully we can do one better this time around," Jazic said.

**'The best player in the league'**

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The way Alan Jazic looks at it, it's only a matter of time before Derek Gaudet gets his chance overseas.

The 20-year-old midfielder is suiting up for Halifax Dunbrack Bremner's of the Nova Scotia Soccer League Premiership after starring on Canada's under-20 team and making his Major League Soccer debut with Toronto FC in 2008.

"He's blessed," said Jazic, whose brother, Ante, plays professionally in MLS and had a long career in Europe. "He has a ton of skill. He's by far the best player in the league."

Gaudet has six goals this summer, tied for second in the league. He had a brief tryout with the Vancouver Whitecaps of the United Soccer Leagues before returning to Halifax.

Jazic said the Bayside native just needs to get noticed by the right team to get his shot as a professional.

"That guy just needs a little bit of luck," Jazic said.

"I hope to see him playing overseas. He still has time, he's still working hard at it, and I think one day, he'll get there."

## Brothers bump Lance to 4th

**TOUR DE FRANCE** Frank and Andy Schleck tried with all their might to shake the Tour de France peloton in the 17th stage but they could not topple leader Alberto Contador yesterday.

The Spaniard spoiled the brothers' party by sticking with them in the last two of five climbs on the final stage in the Alps, strengthening his overall lead with four days left in the race.

"Alberto has now won the Tour," his Astana team chief Alain Gallopin told reporters on the finish line.

The ceaseless efforts of the two riders from Luxembourg were not entirely in vain as Frank won the stage ahead of Contador and the brothers secured places on the podium before a potentially decisive time trial in Annecy.

Andy Schleck is now second overall, 2 minutes 26 seconds behind 2007 champion Contador and Frank is third, 3:25 adrift. Lance Armstrong slipped from second to fourth overall, 3:55 behind his Astana team leader.

REUTERS

## Sports in brief

**SOCCER** Nova Scotia's under-16 girls team lost 2-0 to Ontario in the championship pool at the Canadian all-star soccer championships in Laval, Que., yesterday. The under-16 girls were the only Nova Scotia team to qualify for the championship pool. The under-14 girls, also in Laval, and the under-14 and -16 boys in Richmond, B.C., lost their openers on Tuesday to slip into the consolation pool.

**HOCKEY** Former Dalhousie Tigers star Bobby Chaumont has re-signed with the Central Hockey League's Mississippi RiverKings. He led the team in scoring last season with 51

points in 49 games.

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**ROETHLISBERGER** Police in Nevada said yesterday they have no plans on opening an investigation into allegations that Pittsburgh Steelers quarterback Ben Roethlisberger raped a Canadian woman a year ago. An official said a criminal complaint would have to be filed in order to trigger an investigation.

**GOLF** After coming within an eight-foot putt of besting all the top young pros at last week's British Open and becoming golf's oldest major champion, Tom Watson will be

competing at the Senior British Open when play starts today.

**SOCCER** FIFA fined Ivory Coast's football federation \$51,800 yesterday after 22 people died in a stampede at a World Cup qualifying match in March.

**COYOTES** The City of Glendale, Ariz., won't be able to keep its negotiations with potential Phoenix Coyotes owner Jerry Reinsdorf, or any other suitors for the team, as secret as it hoped. It must be revealed whether the city has offered Reinsdorf any incentives to buy the team, a superior court judge in Arizona has ruled.

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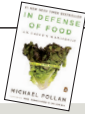
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# Seaside perfection

## SuiteTalk

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Imagine waking up early one morning, when everything is quiet. You make a cup of tea, and carry the steaming mug onto the deck. Below you, the waves of the Bedford Basin are lapping at the shore. You curl up on a comfortable chair, listening to the sound of the water, and let your day begin slowly.

Seaside living has been perfected at The Edgewater. Located on Bedford's beautiful Shore Drive, these one- and two-bedroom condominiums have the relaxed, beachy elegance of a home in Montauk.

Model suite designer Denise Hermanson, of Denise Hermanson Design, was so inspired by the view that she based her design off the waters of the Bedford



Basin.

"I incorporated the water into the space by using blues, browns and creams," said Hermanson, who designed the space with both young and retired couples in mind. "There is a unifying cohesion through the use of colour and texture."

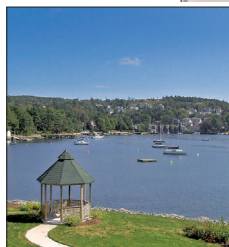
From the aqua chairs in the living room to the chocolate-and-aqua bedding in the master bedroom, you can spot the soothing tones of the ocean throughout the model suite. She jazzed up the bathroom with bright polka-dotted accessories, and tied it to the rest of the space by using blue stone

bathroom accessories.

When it came time to organize the furnishings in the space, Hermanson said she didn't have to think twice about placement.

"There was no question that I was basing the layout around the great views of the water."

Since the living/dining area is a large, open space, she chose pieces that were functional, but also easy to move around. Two ottomans near the coffee table provide extra seating but take up hardly any space, and the dining room chairs can slide neatly into the living room to create a



Seen here are some shots of the model suite at The Edgewater.

larger conversational area.

Tucked just off the Bedford Highway, Shore Drive is a tree-lined street at the water's edge. Steps away from the Bedford Yacht Club, The Edgewater is a picturesque piece of waterfront property — and has the privacy to enjoy it quietly. Condominiums at The Edgewater range from 670 to 932 square feet, and cost between \$159,000 and \$239,000.

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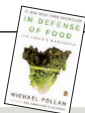


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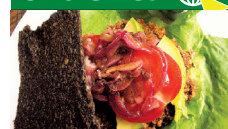
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# Style



## Spanish-inspired shades

Nails take a dramatic turn this fall with OPI's new Colección de España, 12 on-trend shades inspired by the colors of Spain. Colours include Here Today ... Aragon Tomorrow (pictured, far left to right), Pink Flamenco and Give Me Moor! The collection will be available Aug. 5 at professional salons and spas across Canada (\$10.95). For a location nearest you, visit [opi.com](http://opi.com). **METRO NEWS SERVICE**

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## Cultural creations

First Nation fashion melds the past and present

**JANINE FALCON**  
For Metro Canada



**Perhaps in First Nation culture more than most, historical influences in modern design are about identity, preservation and celebration.**

Ancaster-based fashion designer Angela DeMontigny ([angelamontigny.com](http://angelamontigny.com)) works with traditional motifs and traditional materials such as suede, beads and leather hides, all of which pay homage to her Chippewa-Cree-Métis background and serve as a reminder to the world that the First Nations is more than old westerns. "It's a living, breathing culture," she says.

Signature DeMontigny pieces include fitted leather blazers, tiered goat-suede skirts and now handbags. Distributed in boutiques and galleries throughout North America and Europe, her work has received attention from media such as Flare, Chatelaine, Women's Wear Daily and CTV.

Manitobah Mukluks ([manitobah.ca](http://manitobah.ca)) is a Winnipeg-based company that produces high-end beaded and fur-trimmed leather and suede footwear. These are inspired by the mukluks and moccasins Métis owner Sean McCormick and his family wore when he was a child. "They're as close to being authentic as possible without being handmade," he says.

Rubber soled for urban life, Manitobah Mukluks pieces are available at select North American boutiques (including New York City's Intermix) and in Europe. The line is also hitting the celebrity sidewalks on feet belonging to Beyoncé, Marisa Tomei, Kate Moss and Kate Hudson, and



AYA Accessories sunglasses, \$35, and Esme reading glasses, \$60.

has appeared in magazines such as Vogue, InStyle and Elle.

First Nation art has also found its way to eyewear launching this summer. Reading glasses and sunglasses (\$35 - \$60) from AYA Accessories' Pacific North-

west Collection feature contemporary and playful designs by

Corrine Hunt, a BC-based artist with a Kwakiutl and Tlingit heritage. Motifs include the Sun, which represents nourishment, truth and clarity; the Hummingbird, spirit bearer of good news; and the Wolf, the family protector.

"My appreciation for First Nations and indigenous art comes from growing up in Australia and Vancouver," says the collection's creator, Carla D'Angelo Taylor, who spotted Hunt's work at a gift show five years ago.

She and Hunt, who is primarily a jewelry and custom-furnishings designer, are delighted by early reactions to AYA's traditional-contemporary fashion fusion. "First Nations response has been amazing," says Hunt, adding that the idea was also to get the attention of people who wouldn't ordinarily seek out at First Nations art. An added charity component di-



Angela DeMontigny Aspen Weekender bag, \$545.



Model displays Angela DeMontigny leather blazer, suede skirt and leather bag.

Manitobah Mukluks in black, \$359.

## Yoga jeans equal super comfort

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**TREND** Yoga Jeans are not jeans to wear in yoga class.

Made from brushed cotton denim with three per cent elastane, they're super stretchy so they'd be far more comfortable for downward dog than you'd expect — and the waistband won't gape.

But with their deep, inky washes and flattering fit that make legs look miles long and lean, Yoga Jeans will work better with that hot top you bought to wear on Saturday night.

Cut in mid- and low-rise skinny, straight, flare and boot-cut styles, as well as an ankle-length summer pant, Yoga Jeans (about \$110) are the hottest pants in town. Made by Canadian company Second Clothing,



Yoga jeans, \$110, have a 92 per cent shape memory built into them.

they have a 92 per cent shape memory versus the industry standard of 64 per cent, which means zero sagging in the butt or knees.

They're available at Jean Machine, [theshoppingchannel.com](http://theshoppingchannel.com) and at [shopgirls.ca](http://shopgirls.ca). The brand is set to hit the U.S. and Europe this fall.

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Uma Thurman is set to play a nun in her new movie. The Kill Bill star has signed on to star in new indie drama Girl Soldier, in which she will take on the role of Sister Caroline who helped rescue 140 schoolgirls abducted in Uganda. [FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK](http://FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK)

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## Sparks ready for battle

### Jordin Sparks

Album: Battlefield

Label: Sony Music

Rating: ●●●●

**WHILE RIHANNA PLAYED** the Good Girl Gone Bad on her last release, Jordin Sparks' latest could have been called Good Girl Remains Good. The American Idol winner's sophomore album offers little of the drama its title suggests. But what Battlefield lacks in tension, it makes up for in expert pop-R&B songcraft and production. Be it over slick, '80s-Madonna-inspired tracks like S.O.S. (Let The Music Play) or mid-tempo power ballads like Let It Rain, Sparks repeatedly proves why she won



Simon Cowell and company over in the first place.

Jason Richards/for Metro Canada

### Demi Lovato

Album: Here We Go Again

Label: Hollywood/Universal

Rating: ●●●●

**DEMI LOVATO'S** sophomore disc is exactly what you'd expect from a Disney darling — it's vibrant, infectious and only for 14-year-old girls. For that Miley Cyrus loving demo, this is a superb disc. She's perfected the watered down Avril Lavigne, faux-anger sound to a tee, and naive songs about boys will resonate with her coming-of-age crowd. This isn't a bad disc. It's loaded with rock



hooks and Lovato's voice is solid. She has a bright future, once she breaks free from Mickey's shackles.

Bryan Borzykowski/for Metro Canada

### Our Lady Peace

Album: Burn Burn

Label: Coalition/Sony Music

Rating: ●●●●

**THE GOOD NEWS:** OLP's Raine Maida drops all traces of his piercing aii-ee-iii-ee-iiis in his vocals and sounds more like a real singer. The bad news: The band cops copious amounts of atmospheric rock elements from the likes of Radiohead, Coldplay and U2 and converts it all into one package of formulaic, radio-friendly alt-pop. For a



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Canuck outfit that had been so close to separating with 2005's Healthy In Paranoid Times, album No. 7 gives the impression that OLP still craves some more stadium-size rock acceptance. But as Brit rock wannabes? Aii-ee-iii-ee-ii!

Ian Nathanson/for Metro Canada

### Fiery Furnaces

Album: I'm Going Away

Label: Thrill Jockey

Rating: ●●●●

**IF THERE'S ONE** thing most people know about the Fiery Furnaces, it's that their music has



### Smell like Amy

Amy Winehouse wants to launch her own perfume. The troubled singer and her father Mitch are keen to develop her "smoky" look and put her name on a fragrance. [FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK](http://FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK)



Battlefield is the new disc from American Idol winner Jordin Sparks.

been pretty weird. So it was a surprise to find out that their sixth record is one of the more straightforward albums in their oeuvre. That's not to say this isn't incredibly quirky. The title track is a wacky hillbilly blues number that speeds through its 2:27 time, while Drive to Dallas comes off as

a hilarious Diana Krall parody. Most of the other tracks tread a fine line between strange and accessible, a perfect combo for this sibling duo.

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### critics'corner

#### Private Practice

Addison (Kate Walsh) suspects that her brother Archer (Grant Show) is up to his old bachelor tricks even as he gets closer to Naomi (Audra McDonald). Dell (Chris Lowell) gets into a heated argument with Addison and Naomi over a patient's child who is born with both male and female reproductive organs. 11:02 PM on ABC ASN



#### Doc Zone

The city never sleeps — they got that right. The two-part documentary "The Great Food Revolution" continues with a visit to New York that covers 24 hours in the life of the city's food industry and the people who work in it, from fishmongers and dockworkers to food brokers and street vendors. The second hour looks at the future of food through the eyes of scientists, fishermen and foodies. 8 PM on CBC

#### Doctor Strange

The title speaks for itself. This 2007 Marvel Comics animation tells the tale of Dr. Stephen Strange, a renowned neurosurgeon rendered unable to work when an accident mangles his hands. Desperate for a cure, he finds his way to the Ancient One, a powerful magician living in the mountains of Tibet. Soon, he not only has the use of his hands back but has acquired magical powers ... and enemies. 10:30 PM on TOON



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**Stephen Baldwin broke?**

Steep mortgage payments, credit card debt and rising taxes were too much to financially handle for Stephen Baldwin. The actor star has filed for bankruptcy, a Wall Street Journal blog reports. [POPEATER.COM](#)



## Depp stuck in production limbo

**FILM** Johnny Depp is coming off an acclaimed role in *Public Enemies* and stars in one of the most anticipated movies of this weekend's Comic-Con, *Alice in Wonderland*. But the Mad Hatter is facing an unusual situation: Like the character he plays in *Alice*, he soon could be killing time.

Depp is attached to a number of development properties but is facing a landscape devoid of "go" pictures — those ready for production. Instead, there are a dizzying number of possibilities and schedule permutations.

Producers have been interested in Depp for the title role in Warner Bros.' *The Incredible Mr. Limpet*. He has not signed on, however, and in any event the pic would not go into production until next year. The fourth instalment of *Pirates of the Caribbean* was going to be the next picture for Depp. But with Gore Verbinski no longer directing the franchise, the ship has slowed.

REUTERS

# Ugly Truth about dirty talk

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Metro World News

**The battle of the sexes gears up for one more round in the new film *The Ugly Truth*. In it, Katherine Heigl and Gerard Butler square off as a pent-up TV producer and the loudmouth lout hired to boost her morning news show's rating.**

Naturally, they hate each other right off the bat.

The film pokes fun at many of the anxieties men and women face in the dating world, and even though production wrapped months ago, the two stars are still debating. "Would you want a woman to call you not once but twice if you haven't returned her phone call?" Heigl asks. Butler's response? A simple, "Yeah," to which Heigl raises a dubious eyebrow: "Really?"

One thing the stars can agree on is how physically demanding shooting one of the film's more infamous scenes was. Let's just say it involves a business



Katherine Heigl and Gerard Butler star in *The Ugly Truth*, in theatres tomorrow.

dinner and vibrating panties. And to get the scene shot correctly, the actors had to perform it more than 35 times.

Butler has high praise for his leading lady after enduring so many takes. "It was one of the most brilliant performances I've ever seen," he says. "She was, dare I say, bang on. It was incredible."

"It was physically exhausting," Heigl admits. "By the end of the day, I felt like I'd run a marathon. No one wants to orgasm 35 times."

For Heigl, a comedy rated R in the United States isn't new territory, considering her star turn in 2007's *Knocked Up*. And she sees a distinct difference in that kind of

raunchier comedy — which has been winning big at the box office lately with films like *The Hangover* — versus safer fare, like her PG-13 hit *27 Dresses*, which Heigl admits has an air of fantasy about it.

"As much as I love that younger audience, I still feel like I want to tell a real story to people my age. And we throw (the F-word)

### Movie feature

around a lot," she admits. "When you have to censor so much for that PG-13 rating, it starts to get a little cute."

Heigl admits she's a fan of foul language on screen as well as off. "I talk like that all the time anyway," she says. "I love raunchy humour. I don't know why. I should probably get a little more sophisticated."

"It's not that I always want to do R-rated movies," she insists. "There's just something about the ability to be crass and drop the F-bomb on occasion."

As for Butler, it's usually more than occasional when it comes to cursing. So how did the foul-mouthed Scotsman enjoy being in a comedy with R-rated dialogue?

"I was in heaven," he says, though he admits learning his lines was a bit trickier for this than for his more action-fuelled work. "In my defence, I never f—ing shut up in this movie."

## Native writers on the rise

BRIAN COULTON  
for Metro Canada



In contemporary Canadian society, Joseph Boyden continues to see barriers between First Nations communities and the rest of the country.

Often more prevalent than seen through the eyes of non-First Nations people, said the part-Métis author, 43, their struggles continue to persist both on and off the reserve. But the Giller Prize winner believes writing is the perfect way to break down those barriers.

"You can put an audience in a place that they're not necessarily comfortable with but they want to explore with you," he said. "In *Three Day Road* and *Through Black Spruce*, I ask my reader to become my character, take this journey where they don't know where they're going, and live in those shoes."

It's those shoes Boyden uses to communicate themes in his writing, works driven by characters, he said, rather than the issues and ideas that eventually spawn from them.

"What I try to do is bring to life characters that don't just feel native per se, but feel like humans," he said. "I try to break down stereo-



Joseph Boyden

types, simply put."

First Nations people are breaking waves in Canadian literature according to Kamloops, B.C.-based author Richard Wagamese.

"That's indicated by Joseph Boyden winning the Giller Prize and the number of aboriginal writers that are coming along to publish for the first time," he said.

The 53-year-old Ojibway has published seven titles. In each, Wagamese said he tries to embed teaching paradigms encompassing universal moral and ethical teachings.

But Wagamese doesn't want to create stories just for or about First Nations people without them reaching outside the community, the reason he said he plays with novel contexts, like rodeo in 2006's

### FocusOn First Nations

Dream Wheels and homelessness in 2008's *Ragged Company*.

"I look for a context to frame it in that's probably not something you would ordinarily sum to in terms of aboriginal life," he said. "The challenge is always the context."

Vancouver-based Dogrib author Richard Van Camp, 37, has read all of Wagamese's books and shares his motivation to disseminate his knowledge about his culture's significance, today.

"I don't write about aboriginal people pre-contact or shortly after contact. I write about aboriginal people living, loving and celebrating now," he said.

Van Camp's focus on the present reflects his pride in being Dogrib and desire to keep his First Nations traditions alive, but he said it's also a way to impart the modern experience of living with a diverse background.

"I'm half aboriginal, half non-aboriginal, so I like to celebrate my inheritance as a person of mixed-races. I love being alive right now, and that's what I want to focus on."

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22	8:15 PM	Beazley	3rd Pool B	vs 2nd Pool A

Sunday, August 23, 2009				
23	9:30 AM	Beazley	1st Pool A	vs Winner Game #21
24	12:30 PM	Beazley	1st Pool B	vs Winner Game #22
25	3:30 PM	Beazley	BRONZE MEDAL GAME	
26	7:00 PM	Beazley	GOLD MEDAL GAME	

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Actress and model Angie Everhart isn't one to procrastinate. "I'm completely prepared," she said about welcoming her first-born, a boy, who is due in eight days. "The nursery is done, the name is picked and I've even got a year's supply of Seventh Generation diapers." **PEOPLE.COM**

Model mom-to-be's ready

## Celebrity Buzz

# Love child rumours surface Angelina shuts herself away

**LET THE CIRCUS BEGIN** Michael Jackson is rumoured to have a fourth child, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

Omer Bhatti, a 25-year-old Norwegian dancer, is thought to be the singer's child from a one-night stand in 1984, the website alleges.

Jackson is said to have admitted in 2004 that he was Omer's father, the website adds. Bhatti is now believed to be seeking a DNA test to determine if he is a descendant of the King of Pop.

Although Omer's mother Pia and her husband Riz — who have both worked for Jackson — refuse to

talk about the star, Pia did tell Britain's The Sun newspaper on Tuesday: "He was the King of Pop. But to us he was so much more."

Omer has also previously spoken about Jackson: "I have contact with Michael, and I think my loyalty to him is the reason we still have our contact. He is an unbelievably good human being."

Omer also lived at Jackson's Neverland ranch home for several years from 1997, and video

footage exists of him untying presents with Jackson and playing with a toddler, believed to be one of Jackson's three children.

The dancer was also at Neverland when police raided the property to investigate child molestation allegations in 2003.

On Tuesday, Riz confirmed his stepson was in the front row for the emotional memorial concert at the Los Angeles Staples Center.



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**ON THE ROCKS?** Angelina Jolie reportedly walked out on Brad Pitt following a furious argument last weekend, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The couple allegedly had a huge row following their twins Knox and Vivienne's first birthday bash at their Los Angeles home Sunday.

According to sources, the 34-year-old checked into a room at the luxury Raffles L'Ermitage hotel af-

ter collapsing on the floor in a flood of tears at the party.

The actress has reportedly remained at the hotel — where her late mother Marcheline Bertrand stayed until her death in 2007 — and is refusing to take Pitt's calls.



Friends of the actress say Jolie is still mourning her mother, who died of ovarian cancer at age 56.

One said: "Angelina stays in the room for hours on end. It's as if she's trying to feel Marcheline's spirit. She's lighting candles and thinking about her mother."

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## Jon's new girlfriend speaks

**REBOUND** Hailey Glassman's romance with Jon Gosselin came as a surprise — even to her, she tells People magazine.

Glassman, 22, says she developed feelings for the 32-year-old newly single dad of eight kids — a family friend who recently split from his

wife Kate — while he was nursing his broken heart at her parents' New York City home in May.

"He was so strong," Glassman said. "I admired him."

She refutes rumours that she's engaged to Gosselin, but admits she's having a

great time with her new beau, who recently rented a bachelor pad in Manhattan. "We watch movies, play pool and Ping-Pong. We laugh a lot because I beat him at everything," she gushed.

She added: "He's a great cook. He cooks roasted veggies with special seasoning and sauces, and he grills pineapple with a butter concoction."

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## Mischa's new gig at risk?

**HIGH STAKES** Still in a hospital psychiatric ward in Los Angeles after a week, Mischa Barton risks losing her latest acting gig on CW drama The Beautiful Life, according to the Sun.

Producers are said to be considering a placement for Barton, who plays a supermodel, if she's not fit to film next week, sources say. Her rep says she'll be ready by then.

## False alarm, not wedding bells

**SOON, BUT NOT YET** There are no wedding bells for Jennifer Love Hewitt and Jamie Kennedy just yet, us-magazine.com reports.

The New York Post reported that Kennedy, 39, popped the question to Hewitt, 30, onstage at a California comedy club Saturday night after an audience yelled, "Marry her!" But Hewitt's rep told us-

zine.com, "There is no truth to the report."

Still, the two could wind up walking down the aisle. While chatting with a Los Angeles radio station

last month, Hewitt revealed that she gave Kennedy a proposal timeline. She said, "By this time next year, if we're not planning something, then there's a situation."

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## Charge dropped against Kiefer

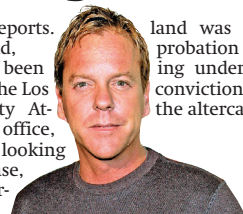
**CASE DROPPED** Kiefer Sutherland will not face prosecution for allegedly head-butting fashion designer Proenza Schouler, and New York prosecutors have dropped their third-degree assault charge against him, female-

first.co.uk reports.

Sutherland, 42, has also been cleared by the Los Angeles City Attorney's office, which was looking into the case, as Suther-

land was on a five-year probation for a 2007 driving under the influence conviction at the time of the altercation.

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## Happy birthday to Lindsay

**TOO MUCH INFORMATION** Samantha Ronson gave Lindsay Lohan sex toys for her birthday, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The actress — who turned 23 on July 2 and has had an on-off relationship with the DJ for two years — was delighted with the satisfying gift, which Ronson hand-picked herself, accord-

ing to National Enquirer magazine.

A source said: "Samantha presented her with a gift guaranteed to create lots of buzz — a big, brightly gift-wrapped basket of sex toys selected by herself. She spent hours shopping Hollywood's erotic emporiums for the items."

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## MJ better off dead: Rupert

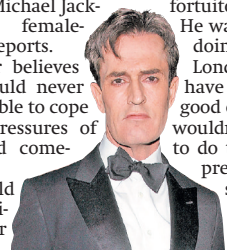
**HIS OPINION** Rupert Everett is relieved Michael Jackson died, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The actor believes Jackson would never have been able to cope with the pressures of his planned comeback shows.

Everett told Britain's Daily Mirror

newspaper: "I think it was fortuitous that he died. He was supposed to be doing 50 concerts in London. It wouldn't have mattered how good or bad he was. He wouldn't have managed to do them all and the press would have destroyed him."

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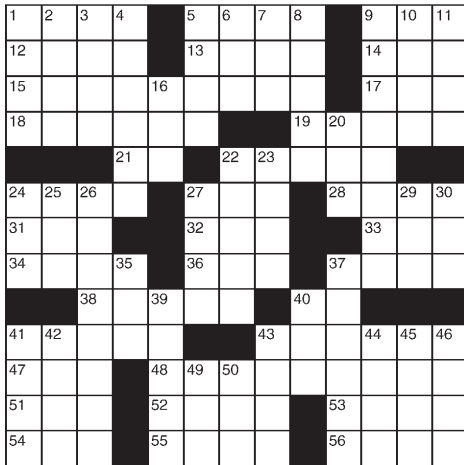




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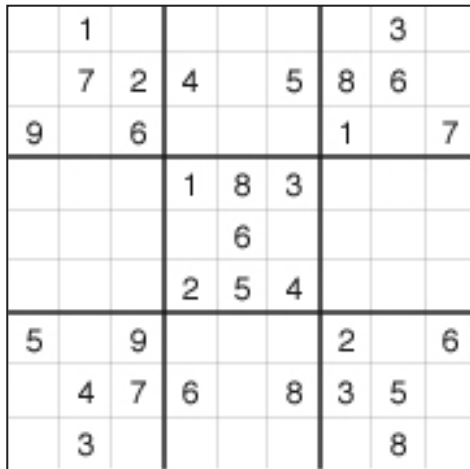
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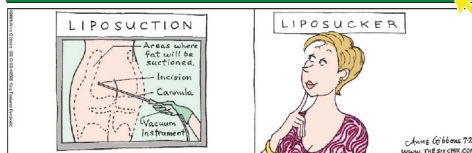
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## Metro Recipe of the Day



## Grilled Eggplant Side Dish

Submitted by Kirsten Ernst, Vancouver

## INGREDIENTS:

1 large eggplant  
olive oil  
1 cup good quality feta cheese  
Juice of 1/2 to 1 lemon (to taste)  
1 tomato, seeded, and diced  
1/2 to 1 small red chili, seeded, and finely sliced (to taste)  
1/2 cup mint, chopped (reserve small amount to sprinkle on top for garnish)  
Salt and ground black pepper (to taste)

## METHOD:

Preheat grill/barbecue. Slice eggplant, lengthwise, about 1/4-in. thick. Rub olive oil on each piece, both sides. Grill slices on barbecue, marking with crisscrosses, until just tender.

Place slices on baking sheet lined with parchment



submitted by a Club Member!

paper. Sprinkle lightly with salt and pepper. Let cool. In bowl, combine crumbled feta cheese with lemon juice to taste, tomatoes, mint, salt and pepper to taste.

On each slice of eggplant, put approx. 1/4 cup of feta mixture, and roll up. Put all rolled slices in a row on platter. Sprinkle top with reserved chopped mint.

## SERVES 2

PREP TIME: 10 MINUTES

COOKING TIME: 20 MINUTES



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## Horoscopes by Sally Brompton

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## ARIES

MARCH 21-APRIL 20

You may be inclined to let a wrong-doer off the hook, but is that a good idea? It may just encourage others to believe they can take advantage of you too.

## LIBRA

SEPT 23-OCT 23

A friendship may be going through a rough patch at the moment but don't give up on it yet. You'll find lots of reasons to patch up your differences.

## TAURUS

APRIL 21-MAY 21

The stars convey that you can make yourself happy or sad — it's up to you which path you take. Look around you today and find reasons to be cheerful.

## SCORPIO

OCT 24-NOV 22

The more you worry about a situation the more likely it is to turn out badly. Be positive today. Change your thinking and you change your world.

## GEMINI

MAY 22-JUNE 21

Make sure you say nice things about others today — even if you don't mean what you say — as then they're more likely to say nice things about you.

## SAGITTARIUS

NOV 23-DEC 21

Today you must resist the urge to splash out on things you don't need. That applies especially to gifts bought for those you have feelings for.

## CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22

Today, the influence of Pluto will bring out your ruthless side — but use it only when you really need to, and even then in moderation.

## CAPRICORN

DEC 22-JAN 20

Capricorns know the greatest triumphs come from overcoming mighty challenges. Today you'll confront the kind of challenge you secretly enjoy.

## LEO

JULY 23-AUG 23

A new solar cycle has begun and you know it's going to be one of the best ever. But you don't have to do everything at once or cut corners.

## AQUARIUS

JAN 21-FEB 18

Someone whose judgment you trust will try to convince you that their latest idea is a sure-fire winner. Don't be so sure. Say thanks but no thanks.

## VIRGO

AUG 24-SEPT 22

It's not like you to be controversial but you'll go out of your way to stir things up today. But take care not to alienate those whose support you need.

## PISCES

FEB 19-MARCH 20

If your idea is a good one and if you are committed to it heart and soul you can make it work at any time — and there is no time like the present.

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1. Biggest-fiddle location (1)
2. Dog shelter auditory effect (1)
3. Fire truck tube emits an aura (1)
4. Without a certain "Peanuts" boy (2)
5. Annoy an Addams Family uncle (2)
6. Laid-back novelist/Nobel winner Saul (2)
7. U.S. Constitution modifier/praiser (3)

ANSWERS: 1. FIDDLEBOOM 2. BOWWOOF 3. SIREN 4. LINUS 5. PESTER 6. SLOWLY 7. AMENDMENT

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